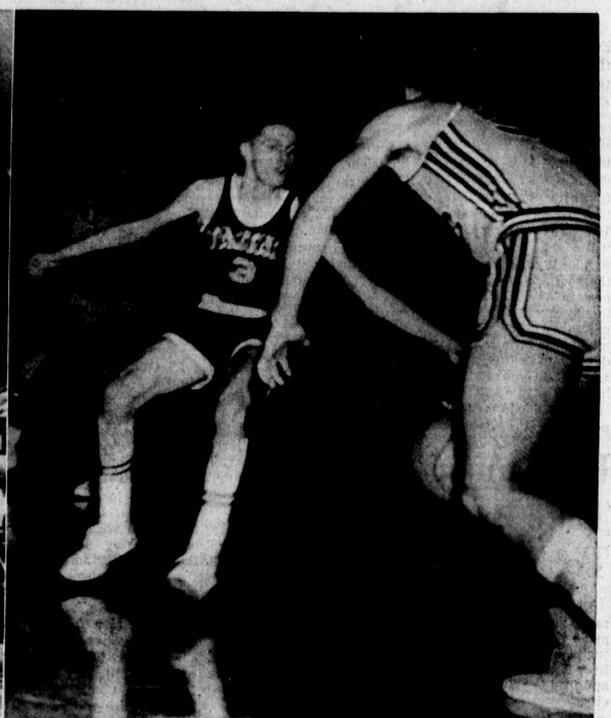


Christmas Comes Early for Tartars



ALL ABOUT BASKETBALL... That's the splendor of the holiday season for the Torrance High varsity team which won the Beverly Hills Tournament Saturday night. The Tartars, who ran their unbeaten

victory string to 10 games, are shown in action (left) against Mira Costa whose Rick Turton (53) takes a tipoff from Tartar Fred Carpenter (35). Waiting for the ball to drop are Tony Lettunich (52), Bart John-

son (11), and John Anderson (42). Carpenter holding trophy in middle photo, was named the most outstanding player in the 16-team tournament. Also outstanding for Torrance in the classic was Bill Doyle

(3), pictured at right dribbling in front of Mira Costa's Tom Egerer (32). Torrance defeated Bellflower, 69-55; North, 88-80; Mira Costa, 50-48; and Redondo, 54-3. (Press-Herald Photos)

Montgomery Classic Next

Pairings for the first annual Bishop Montgomery Invitational Basketball Tournament have been announced by athletic director George Swade. Each of the eight teams in the tourney will play three games next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to determine the first through eighth positions.

Baseball Dinner Feb. 11

The annual awards dinner sponsored by the Los Angeles chapter of the Baseball Writers' Association of America is scheduled for Friday evening, Feb. 11, in the Hollywood Palladium.

John Hall, newly elected chairman of the organization, said, "The presence of the world champion Dodgers at the fact that the Angels will be moving into their new home stadium in April, indicates a record throng will attend the 1966 dinner party."

Both Walter O'Malley of the Dodgers and Robert O. Reynolds of the Angels have promised to stars of the event, marking the start of spring training drills for the 1966 pennant races.

Presentation of trophies to players for outstanding performances during the 1965 season will highlight the evening's star-studded program.

First round games are: Tues., Dec. 28—Pater Noster vs. St. Anthony's, 4:00; Rolling Hills vs. Fermin Lasuen, 5:30; Torrance vs. South, 7:00; Bishop Montgomery vs. West Torrance, 8:30.

The tournament will get off to an interesting start with unbeaten Torrance, the favorite, meeting neighboring South High. The Torrance Tartars will go into the event with a 10-game win streak including championships in the Pacific Shores and Beverly Hills 16-team tournaments.

South, on the other hand, has a solid first string and is a leading contender for the Bay League title. Steve Kuchenbecker, Ed Holmes, Mark Sleeth, and Chuck Fernandez were regulars with the Spartans' second place team of last year.

Other tournament favorites next week are St. Anthony's of Long Beach, a Catholic League contender, and Fermin Lasuen, the favorite to win the Camino Real League crown.

Four schools from the Torrance area are in the lower bracket, assuring a local finalist for Thursday's championship game at 8:30.

SPORTS

DECEMBER 22, 1965

5th Place Repeated By North

North High won fifth place in the Beverly Hills Basketball Tournament Saturday night with a 57-54 win over Culver City.

Bob Becker led the winners with 22 points. Coach Skip Enger's Saxons overcame an 18-12 first quarter deficit and went ahead 33-32 at halftime.

Earlier in the month North also won fifth place in the Pacific Shores Tournament.

North, 57-54

North (57)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Sibley	10	2	3	22
Nielson	8	1	1	13
Albin	1	0	2	2
Wentworth	8	2	3	14
Workman	2	0	0	4
Totals	28	5	13	57

Culver City (54)

Culver City (54)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Colonna	9	2	1	13
Hall	1	0	2	2
Gross	8	0	3	16
Cutte	8	1	2	14
Smith	1	2	2	4
Totals	26	5	11	54

Score by Quarters

North	12	21	10	14	57
Culver City	18	13	9	14	54

South Loses to Hawthorne

Hawthorne won a 57-48 victory over South High for third place in the Hawthorne Basketball Tournament Saturday night in the winner's gym.

South (48)

South (48)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Holmes	9	3	0	18
Fernandez	5	1	4	11
Hazelton	5	2	3	9
Miller	5	2	2	12
Conroy	2	0	2	4
Kuchenbecker	2	1	5	1
Totals	33	9	17	48

Hawthorne (57)

Hawthorne (57)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hobart	10	3	3	21
Conl	1	0	0	2
Littion	1	0	0	2
Buett	2	0	0	4
Blumer	2	3	3	7
Eagen	2	0	1	3
Lee	2	0	1	3
Russo	1	2	3	3
Totals	21	15	13	57

Torrance, 54-53

Torrance (54)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Kreul	4	3	3	11
Doyle	3	2	3	8
Honigmann	3	1	4	7
Carpenter	4	4	1	11
Blumer	4	4	3	12
Thompson	2	0	0	4
Totals	20	14	9	54

REDONDO (53)

Redondo (53)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Clyde	8	0	2	16
Sims	5	0	0	10
Chaffin	5	0	2	10
Honigmann	3	0	3	7
Woodfin	3	4	3	10
Conl	3	0	0	6
Atwater	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	7	13	53

Score by Quarters

Torrance	15	15	10	14	54
Redondo	15	18	10	10	53

Carpenter Hero Again

By JERRY REYNOLDS Press-Herald Staff Writer

"We were going to get Bart up and had trouble, so I just went in."

That's how Fred Carpenter described the last-seconds of the Torrance-Redondo game in the finals of the 24th annual Beverly Hills Invitational Basketball Tournament which the Tartars won, 54-53.

The winning margin was supplied by Carpenter, who was fouled while driving in to the basket with two seconds left in the game. Fred walked to the foul line and sank both free shots as the 1,500 fans came to their feet.

Carpenter's heroics gave Torrance High its second tournament title this month and earned for him the "most valuable player trophy."

The red-haired, 6-4 senior was mobbed by his teammates as the final buzzer sounded, despite the fact a Redondo shot was arching toward the opposite basket. It missed the mark, however, and the Seahawks—who appeared to have the game won with just eight seconds left—took their second defeat from Torrance this year.

Redondo trailed, once by 12 points, but early in the fourth quarter Dana Clyde hit a 25-foot jump shot to tie the game at 40-40.

The teams stayed even until Torrance's Bill Doyle fouled Karl Honigmann, stopping the clock at 42 seconds. Honigmann sank the first shot from the foul line, but missed the second one. Carpenter grabbed the rebound for Torrance, but Honigmann quickly stole the ball.

Redondo, leading 53-52, went into a brief stall until Steve Sims bounced a tricky pass across court. The ball went out of bounds with eight seconds left on the clock and the Tartars—and Carpenter—took over.

"All I wanted to do was make one point," Fred said after the game. "The worse that could have happened would be overtime."

Redondo first met Torrance this season in a quar-

terfinal game in the Pacific Shores Tournament. In that game, Torrance overcame a three-point deficit in the final 30 seconds to win a 50-49 victory. Carpenter, ironically, sank the Seahawks in that one, tipping in a rebound as the buzzer sounded.

The Tartar's Rich Kreul, who scored 11 points against Redondo and had a total of 42 points in three tournament games, was named to the All-Tournament first-

team. Other first team berths went to Irv Zakhelm of Beverly Hills, Bob Watkins of Compton, Rick Turton of Mira Costa, and Steve Sims of Redondo.

Johnson sustained an ankle injury in practice two weeks ago and did not start a game until the tournament finals. Bart, most valuable player in the Pacific Shores tourney, injured the ankle when Carpenter accidentally tripped him during practice.

NATIVE DRIVER LEADS FIELD

Santa Anita Opens Tuesday With Palos Verdes 'Cap

Native Diver, California's "horse of the year" with a record 23 stakes wins in the Golden State, heads a list of horses in the five stakes highlighting the first week of Santa Anita's winter season opening Tuesday.

Native Diver probably will run in the opening-day Palos Verdes Handicap. Post time each day is 12:30.

Winner of more than \$500,000 in his brilliant career, Native Diver blossomed from strictly a sprinter to a router to win the 1 1/4-mile Hollywood Gold Cup last summer. Native Diver was the "sprinter of the meeting" at Santa Anita last winter.

both the Palos Verdes Handicap at six furlongs and the San Carlos Handicap at seven furlongs to win the spring laurels going away. After taking the Gold Cup by five lengths last summer Native Diver equaled the track record of 1:40 flat for 1-1/16 miles at Del Mar under an import of 131 pounds. He equaled the world record of 1:20 for seven furlongs at Hollywood Park.

Native Diver again tops the nominations for this year's Palos Verdes, which is co-featured in an opening-day double-header with the Las Flores Handicap for older fillies and mares. Both races are for \$20,000 in added money at six

furlongs. Native Diver will be bidding for an amazing 24th stakes triumph.

Star fillies and mares such as Admiring, Respected, Straight Deal and many others have been nominated for the Las Flores.

The other double-header of the initial week of racing will be staged New Year's Day with the grass specialists trying 1-1/8 miles in the San Gabriel Handicap and the 4-year-olds of 1966 going seven furlongs in the Malibu Stakes, one of the stepping stones to the \$100,000-added Charles H. Strub Stakes. The San Gabriel and Malibu are \$25,000-added stakes.

horse that won the \$125,000 San Juan Capistrano invitational at approximately 1 3/4 miles last season, is scheduled to make his first appearance of the season in the San Gabriel with the ageless Johnny Longden on his back. Last month in the Washington, D.C. International, George Royal was only beaten a nose for third money by Roman Brother, "Horse of the Year" in one national poll.

In between the double-headers will come the renewal of the \$50,000-added California Breeders Champion Stakes on Friday, Dec. 31. It is limited to 2-year-old California foals at seven furlongs, and is considered a wide-open event.

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